





# **WICKLOW COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2022-2028**

### **PROPOSED VARIATION NO. 6**

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 13 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) that Wicklow County Council, being the planning authority for the area, proposes to **VARY** the Wicklow County Development Plan 2022-2028 (as varied) in respect of the following:

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To revise the Wicklow Core Strategy and associated housing targets, and a number of related housing objectives set out in the Wicklow County Development Plan 2022-2028 Written Statement.

#### **REASON FOR PROPOSED VARIATION:**

To take account of 'NPF Implementation: Housing Growth Requirements' - Guidelines for Planning Authorities, issued under Section 28 of the Planning & Development Act 2000 (as amended) (July 2025).

Submissions are hereby invited on the proposed revised Wicklow Core Strategy and associated housing targets, and the proposed revised housing objectives set out in the Wicklow County Development Plan 2022-2028 Written Statement.

A copy of the **Proposed Variation**, together with

- Strategic Environmental Assessment screening report and associated determination (pursuant to the European Strategic Environmental Assessment Directive (2001/42/EC and the Planning and Development (Strategic Environmental Assessment) Regulations 2004 (as amended)) and
- Appropriate Assessment screening report and associated determination (pursuant to the EU European Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended),

will be available to view at the following locations, during their normal opening hours, from Friday 05 December 2025 to Friday 16 January 2026 inclusive:

- Wicklow County Council, County Buildings, Station Road, Wicklow Town
- Copies of the variation are available to download and view on the Council's website <u>www.wicklow.ie</u> through an **online consultation portal**. Scan the QR code on this notice to access the portal.

### **MAKING A SUBMISSION**

Submissions or observations regarding the Proposed Variation and the associated reports are hereby invited from the public and interested bodies. Children, or groups or associations representing the interests of children, are entitled to make submissions or observations. Written submissions or observations made before 5pm (17:00) on 16 January 2026 will be taken into consideration before the making of the Proposed Variation.

Submissions may be made in one of the following ways:

- 1. Write to 'Variation No.6, Administrative Officer, Planning Section, Wicklow County Council, Station Road, Wicklow Town.
- 2. Through the **online consultation portal** at <u>www.wicklow.ie</u> or scan the QR code on this notice.

## SUBMISSIONS SHOULD NOT BE MADE BY EMAIL

- All submissions are to be clearly marked with 'Proposed Variation No.6'.
- All submissions should include your name and a contact address, a map (where appropriate) and, where relevant, details of any organisation, community group or company etc., which you represent.
- Please make your submission by <u>one</u> medium only, i.e. hard copy or through the portal.
- All valid submissions will form a part of the statutory Chief Executive's report and will be available to view online. The planning process is an open and public one, therefore all submissions/observations are a matter of public record and will be available for public viewing; they may also be placed on the County Council's website and therefore should not include any personal information.
- LATE SUBMISSIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

## **IMPORTANT NOTE**

This Proposed Variation does not relate to the amendment of any zoning objectives / provisions in County Wicklow; in particular it does not relate to the potential zoning of new lands for residential development or the extension of settlement boundaries, but rather it relates primarily to revising the housing targets for various settlements / areas within County Wicklow as set out in the Wicklow Core Strategy.

Wicklow County Council will separately be commencing a 'Call For Sites' consultation seeking expressions of interest from landowners for the future potential zoning of land for residential use and / or the extension of settlement boundaries. If you are interested in seeking the zoning of land or the extension of settlement boundaries, please do not make your submission to 'Proposed Variation No. 6' but rather to the separate future 'Call for Sites'. This 'Call for Sites' will commence before the end of 2025 and will be publicised through normal media channels.

Wicklow County Council is committed to Access For All. All of the above documents are available in alternative format on request. Please contact Wicklow County Council on 0404-20100 should you have any specific access requirements.